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FITTING CONNECTION

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2009, please enter the following in the above-mentioned patent application. No extensions of time or other fees are believed to be due, but the Commissioner is asked to grant any extensions of time deemed necessary and is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overcharges to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include any payment of issue fees.